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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The present invention regards a subsea sand handling system for limiting abrasion of specific subsea equipment (**5**), comprising an inlet (**10**) connectable to a sand separation system (**2**) upstream of the specific equipment (**5**) and an outlet (**18**, **22**) connectable to a pipeline (**6**) downstream of the specific equipment (**5**), wherein it comprises at least two collection vessels (**11**,**14**) and means for flushing (**16**,**17**,**19**, **21**) the sand out of at least one of the collection vessels (**11**,**14**), and the vessels (**11**,**14**) and the means for flushing (**16**,**17**,**19**,**21**) the sand out of said vessels (**11**,**14**) are configured such that sand is flushed from one vessel (**11**,**14**) while sand is collected in the other vessel (**14**,**11**). The present invention also regards a method for limiting abrasion of subsea rotating equipment.

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